

Amendments to the Claims:

The following Listing of Claims, in which deleted text appears ~~struck through~~ or ~~[[double-bracketed]]~~ and inserted text appears underlined, will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in this application.

Listing of the Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method for transforming a monocotyledon, comprising a step of infecting a seed of the monocotyledon with an Agrobacterium which contains a desired recombinant gene, wherein the seed is a germinated seed which is germinated by being subjected to pre-culture with a medium containing a plant growth factor for 1 day after sowing, wherein the seed is an intact seed, wherein the plant growth factor is 2,4-D, wherein the monocotyledon is a plant of the family Gramineae, and wherein the plant of the family Gramineae is rice.

Claims 2 - 6 (Canceled).